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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Jen-Kuei Liu et al.  
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For: SENTINEL VIRUS II  
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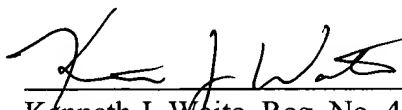
**AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR §1.111**

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This reply is in response to the Official Action dated October 3, 2003 which has a shortened statutory period for response of three months, which expired January 3, 2004. A Petition for Extension of Time for three months from January 3, 2004 to April 3, 2004 is submitted herewith. As required by rule, separate pages are submitted herewith detailing the Remarks and Amendments to the Claims requested herein by Applicants.

Respectfully submitted,

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